

tion was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs Boyer, Hutcheson and Roach.

Mr Done, submitted the following preamble and order. —

Whereas, William J. Blakistone, esquire, a member of this house, was called from his seat by a domestic calamity of the most interesting character; Therefore,

Ordered, That the committee on claims. allow to the said William J Blakistone, the usual per diem of Members of this house, during the time he was absent from this house.

Which preamble and order were twice read and adopted.

Mr Teackle moved the following order:

By the House of Delegates,

February 23d, 1830.

Ordered, That his Excellency, the Governor, be requested to cause the act entitled, an act to promote the preservation, improvement and increase of Shell-fish in this State, and the act of Nov session 1820, chap 24, entitled, an act to prevent the destruction of Oysters in this State, to be printed three times, in the newspapers published in the city of Annapolis, also in two of the newspapers published in the city of Baltimore, and in one in each of the counties of the Eastern Shore.

Which was twice read and adopted.

On motion by Mr Hunt, it was,

Ordered, That this house will proceed to the election of a director on the part of the State in the Bank of Baltimore this day at 12 o'clock

Mr Thomas, of Saint Mary's, chairman of the committee on Internal Improvement, reported the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, it appears from the preamble to the act incorporating the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company; that a navigable Canal from tide water of the river Potomac, in the District of Columbia, to the mouth of Savage creek on the North branch of said river, and extending thence across the Allegany Mountain, to some convenient point on the navigable waters of the river Ohio, or some one of its tributary streams &c. will be a work of great profit and advantage to this state, and of the neighbouring States, and may ultimately tend to establish a connected navigation between the eastern and western waters, so as to extend, and multiply the means and facilities of interior commerce and personal intercourse, between the two great sections of the United States, and to interweave more closely the mutual interests and affections that are calculated to consolidate